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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

To The Commissioner for Patents:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This paper is in response to the final Office Action dated September 25, 2006. The shortened period for response extends to December 25, 2006. Claims 7-8 and 16-19 have been rejected by the Examiner, and are herein cancelled. Claims 1-6, 9-15, and 20-33 have been found allowable in a previous Office Action. Accordingly, only allowed claims 1-6, 9-15, and 20-33 remain pending in the application. Consideration of the above-captioned application is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

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